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No refusal weekend statistics for Superbowl Sunday

On Superbowl Sunday, between the hours of 9 p.m. to 5 a.m. there were twenty-one DWI arrests made during the "No Refusal" initiative.

Twelve individuals refused to give a sample of their breath or blood. After a judge signed a search warrant all 12 individuals had their blood drawn. Three individuals provided a blood sample voluntarily which are included in the results. Five individuals voluntarily provided breath samples.

One of the arrested was treated at the hospital prior to being transported to the BATBUS and no warrant was requested. Of the three samples that were under the .08 level, two subjects were involved in traffic crashes. The third subject was found passed out in the driver's seat of an idling car and is also suspected of using drugs.

Below is a chart of the blood draw results.

BAC results "NO REFUSAL WEEKEND"

| % of total | # results | CATEGORY |
|------------|-----------|--|
| 15% | 3 | Less than .08 |
| 10% | 2 | Greater than or equal to .08 less than .16 (up to 2 x limit) |
| 50% | 10 | Greater than or equal to .16 less than .24 (over 2x limit) |
| 25% | 5 | Greater than or equal to .24 less than .30 (over 3 x limit) |
| 0% | 0 | Greater than or equal to .33 (over 4 x limit) |
| | 20 | TOTAL |
| | | |
| | .17 | AVERAGE |
| | .30 | High |
| | .03 | Low |



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